

January 30, 2002

City of Willits Police Department
82 East Commercial Street
Willits
Mendocino County
Case No. 1TMC014

Notice of Proposed No Further Action Related to Petroleum Discharges From Underground Storage Tanks

Comment period ends March 1, 2002.

Problem Description: The property, owned by the City of Willits, is located at 82 East Commercial Street in Willits. On March 11, 1987 one 1,000-gallon underground storage tank was excavated and removed from the property. The tank contained obvious holes. On March 17, 1987 soil and groundwater samples were collected from the excavation pit. Soil samples indicated the presence of total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline at 7.6 mg/kg, toluene at 4.9 mg/kg, ethylbenzene at 2.7 mg/kg, and total BTEX at 7.6 mg/kg. The groundwater sample indicated the presence of total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline at 132.2 parts per billion (ppb), xylenes at 27 ppb, and total BTEX at 27 ppb. The samples were not analyzed for oxygenates.

Interim Actions Completed: In May of 1991, two soil borings were installed in and around the former tank excavation pit. Soil samples collected from the borings did not indicate the presence of petroleum hydrocarbons. The soil samples were not analyzed for oxygenates. One monitoring well was installed in the excavation pit. A groundwater sample collected from the monitoring well did not indicate the presence of petroleum hydrocarbons. On June 2, 1998 a confirmation groundwater sample was collected from the monitoring well. The groundwater sample did not indicate the presence of petroleum hydrocarbons or oxygenates. On December 8, 2000 the monitoring well was abandoned.

MTBE Status: Groundwater at the site was tested for the oxygenate MTBE and not detected.

Proposed Action: There is no further action proposed for this site.

Case closure with no further action will be completed without further notice unless significant public comment is received prior to March 1, 2002. Please contact Bonnie Rolandelli at (707) 576-2667 with any questions or comments.